

**REMARKS**

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks are respectfully requested.

At the outset, applicant's counsel wishes to express his appreciation for the thorough examination of this application by Examiner Welch.

By this Amendment, parent claim 1 has been amended to particularly point out that *the first article retention means include a first article retention pouch so constructed and arranged to retain therein a game call member capable of being sounded when hit or scratched by a friction member*. None of the references relied upon by the Examiner to reject the claims under 35 U.S.C §§ 102 or 103 shows or suggests applicants' invention featuring such unique structure, whether these references are considered singly or together.

The **Lonon** reference merely discloses a glove having a pouch attached thereon by VELCRO fastener material and a watch attached to the pouch! **Herzog** and **Shin** merely show golf gloves for retaining tees or golf ball markers. Not a single one of the references cited by the Examiner even remotely shows or suggests a glove for retaining a game call in the manner disclosed and claimed only by applicant. In the

absence of more pertinent prior art (and applicants' counsel is aware of none) claim 1, particularly as amended herein, should be allowed forthwith.

For the above reasons, claim 1, as amended, now clearly avoids the Examiner's rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as anticipated by **Lonon**, or any conceivable rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious in view of **Lonon** taken with **Herzog** and/or **Shin**, and should be allowed forthwith.

Claims 2-18 depend from and further restrict claim 1. Because these dependent claims inherit the patentably distinct features of claim 1, as amended, they also are believed allowed for at least the same reasons advanced above.

Nonetheless, it will be noted that dependent claim 5 has been amended to more particularly define applicants' novel retention pouch elastic frame "for peripherally retaining said call member to permit said call member to be exposed for striking by said friction member when said call member is retained thereby". None of the references cited by Examiner Welch shows or suggests such a novel arrangement. Clearly, dependent claim 5 should be allowed for this additional reason.

Similarly, dependent claim 9 has been amended herein to specify that the "second article retention means include a

second article retention pouch so constructed and arranged as to retain therein said friction member." Here again, none of the references being relied upon to reject the claims shows or suggests such a structural arrangement. Claim 9 manifestly should be allowed for this additional reason.

Still further, claim 12 has been amended herein to recite that the "third article retention pouch is so constructed and arranged to retain therein a game call member in the form of a mouth call." Obviously, none of the references found by the Examiner shows or suggests such combined structure. Hence, dependent claim 12 should be allowed for this additional reason.

It is noted with due appreciation that the drawings have not been objected to by the Official Draftsperson under 37 CFR 1.84 or 1.152 and have been accepted by the Examiner.

All grounds of objection and rejection having been overcome by this Amendment, the application now is believed to be in condition for immediate allowance containing allowed claims 1-18, and such favorable action earnestly is solicited.

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The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned to resolve any issues still present in the application and to expedite the prosecution of the application, should the Examiner believe such a telephone conference would be helpful.

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